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TAGS PGOV, PREL, UG, SU, CG, SO
SUBJECT: UGANDA: A/S FRAZER DISCUSSES LRA, CONGO, AND
SOMALIA WITH PRESIDENT MUSEVENI

Classified By: Ambassador Steven Browning for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

1. (C) Summary: Africa Bureau Assistant Secretary Jendayi Frazer met with Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni on September 5 to discuss current

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LRA
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2. (C) Africa Bureau Assistant Secretary Jendayi Frazer traveled to Uganda on September 5 and met with President Yoweri Museveni and northern

3. (C) Museveni complained that the LRA was using the peace talks to reorganize and described Joseph Kony as a trickster.8 In Museveni,s view

4. (C) Senior Advisor Shortley asked Museveni for his views on how Kony would be handled if he agreed to a deal. Museveni described his provis

5. (C) Museveni dismissed the demands for political power by the diaspora that backed the LRA. He argued that northern Ugandans were represent

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Okello Oryem, who won election to parliament in Kitgum. After he lost his parliamentary seat, Museveni appointed Oryem as Minister of State for

6. (C) The President also stated his belief that Kony was a proxy of the Khartoum Government. Museveni proudly pointed out that Uganda had def

7. (C) Shortley expressed the U.S. Government,s hope that with increasing stability in northern Uganda, the Peace, Recovery, and Development F

8. (C) A/S Frazer agreed with Museveni,s assessment of the LRA,s intentions and the need to secure Kabila,s cooperation. She said it was encou

9. (C) Museveni stated that behind all of this is Sudan, Sudan, Sudan, Sudan.8 He said that even if the Khartoum Government could not supply

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10. (C) A/S Frazer asked Museveni if he could confirm media reports that Kabila had used gunships in eastern Congo. Museveni did not know but
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11. (C) Museveni sees two ways in which Congo could solve the LRA problem. First, allow joint operations with Uganda. Second, Congo could find

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12. (C) On Somalia, Museveni raised concerns about Transitional Federal Government President Yusuf,s non-inclusivity and the slowness in the k

13. (C) Another problem in Somalia was Eritrea, according to Museveni. He described his visit with President Isaias Aforkwi in March and said

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14. (C) Museveni turned to his opposition to the formation of an "African Government." He said that Libya pushed hard for support for it at th

15. (S) In a tte--tte with A/S Frazer, Museveni went further to express concern about Libya,s intentions and methods of influencing &weak8 Wes

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16. (C) Museveni demonstrated flexibility on how LRA leader Joseph Kony might be handled. Though pessimistic about
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whether the peace talks would succeed, Museveni was willing to let the peace process move forward, but not without end. He welcomed the additic

16. (U) A/S Frazer cleared this message.

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